

## **Transcription of The Little Spark and the Little Mouse**

Little Mouse and the Little Spark were walking. Finally they came to a little brook. Little Spark said to the Little Mouse, “How can we get across?” Then the Little Mouse got a blade of grass and laid it across the little brook. He ran across to the other side. And when this Little Spark climbed in the middle he said to the Little Mouse, “Oh this swings very nice. I’ll stay right here.” Little Mouse says to him, “You’d better come off there.” While the Little Spark was swinging, the little grass burned in two, and the Little Spark fell into the water. And when Little Spark fell in the water he melted. The Little Mouse starts laughing. He laughed so hard his chest bursts. Then he went to someone’s house, and he told the man, “Will you please help me? I laughed so hard my chest burst.” Then the man sewed his chest up, using pig’s hair. That is why a mouse is so greasy now.

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